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SUBJECT: FLORIDA FISHERIES EXPERTS' REQUEST TO VISIT USSR

REF: STATE 169914; SCRIABINE/DARBYSHIRE TELECONS: BROWN/DARBYSHIRE
TELECON OF AUGUST 13

1. EMBASSY RECEIVED AUGUST 13 REPLY FROM KUZNETSOV OF FOREIGN
RELATIONS DEPARTMENT, USSR MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, TO REQUEST THAT
PROGRAM BE ARRANGED FOR VISIT TO USSR IN AUGUST OR SEPTEMBER, 1976,
FOR THREE FISHERIES EXPERTS FROM THE STATE OF FLORIDA TO STUDY
ECOLOGY OF THE WHITE AMUR (CTENOPHARYNGODON IDELLUS).

2. KUZNETSOV EXPLAINED THAT QUESTION HAD BEEN REFERRED TO DIRECTOR
OF VNIIPRKH (ALL-RUSSIAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE ON POND FISHERIES)
WHO, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH INSTITUTE'S BIOLOGISTS AND ICHTHYOLOGIST
S,
HAD ADVISED THAT NO SUITABLE PROGRAM COULD BE PREPARED FOR VISIT OF
U.S. FISHERIES EXPERTS AT THIS TIME OF YEAR. KUZNETSOV STATED
SIMPLY THAT "THERE IS NOTHING OF INTEREST TO SHOW FLORIDA
SCIENTISTS BEFORE SPRING."

3. KUZNETSOV ADDED THAT VNIIPRKH MIGHT BE ABLE TO ARRANGE
A USEFUL PROGRAM FOR MAY OR JUNE 1977, IF U.S. FISHERIES
EXPERTS WOULD BE INTERESTED IN VISITING THE USSR AT THAT
TIME. HE ASKED THAT HE BE ADVISED SOON OF U.S. FISHERIES
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EXPERTS' WISHES SO THAT PLANNING COULD BEGIN FOR SPRING

VISIT.

4. KUZNETSOV APOLOGIZED FOR DALY IN RESPONSE TO U.S.
FISHERIES EXPERTS' REQUEST. HE EXPLAINED THAT DELAY WAS DUE
TO MINISTRY'S WISH TO EXPLORE ALL POSSIBILITIES FOR AN AUTUMN
VISIT BEFORE HAVING TO OFFER NEGATIVE REPLY TO FLORIDA
FISHERIES EXPERTS.
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